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SUBJECT: LUXEMBOURG AMBASSADOR AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY
HARTMAN DISCUSS ENERGY CONFERENCE AND FOLLOW-ON

1. LUXEMBOURG AMBASSADOR WAGNER CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN FEBRUARY 19 FOR BRIEF REVIEW OF WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE AND PREPARATIONS FOR FOLLOW-ON MEETINGS. WAGNER SAID THAT GOL AGREES WITH THE US ON THE RESULTS OF THE CONFERENCE AND THAT WE SHOULD NOT LOSE MOMENTUM. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT PERHAPS THINGS WERE MOVING A BIT TOO FAST SINCE THE EC MIGHT NEED TIME TO CONSULT, EVEN IF ONLY AMONG THE EIGHT.

2. HARTMAN RESPONDED THAT THE SENSE OF THE CONFERENCE, AT LEAST IN US EYES, WAS THAT OUR TIME SCHEDULE MAY EVEN BE A BIT TOO SLOW, ESPECIALLY IF WE ARE TO PAVE THE WAY FOR AN EVENTUAL PRODUCER-CONSUMER MEETING BY MAY 1. MOREOVER, WE WERE NOT GOING TO MAKE DECISIONS ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS BUT TO DECIDE HOW TO GET STARTED AND WHICH EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT INTO THE PICTURE.

3. WHEN WAGNER INQUIRED IF FRANCE HAD BEEN INVITED TO
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THE COORDINATING GROUP'S MEETING FEBRUARY 25, HARTMAN REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY AND SAID THAT WE WOULD WELCOME FRENCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, WE ARE PLAYING DOWN THE

POLITICAL ASPECTS OF THESE MEETINGS SINCE WE WANT TO
CONCENTRATE ON THE PRACTICAL WORK INVOLVED. KISSINGER

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